

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

# VEHICLE INDUSTRY NEWS

VIN 2003-12

## Subject : Weight Certification Changes

---

### Background

California licensed dealers may certify to commercial unladen weights up to and including 8,000 pounds (lbs.) for new commercial motor vehicles.

### Procedures

Effective immediately, a weight certification **is required** for original registration of any two-axle or three-axle commercial vehicle between 8,001 and 10,000 lbs. unladen weight.

A weight certification is **not** required for two-axle or three-axle commercial motor vehicles weighing 10,001 lbs. or more unladen because they are assessed fees under the Commercial Vehicle Registration Act (CVRA). An estimated weight is required on the Application for Registration of New Vehicle (REG 397).

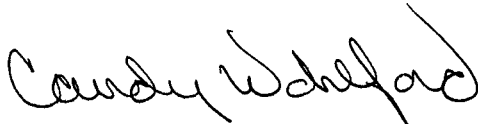
### Distribution

This memo was distributed in August 2003 to the following:

- Dealers
- Registration Services

### Contact

Call the DMV Customer Communications Section at (916) 657-6560 for further clarification of this memo. Upon request, this document can be produced in Braille or large print.



CANDY WOHLFORD, Deputy Director  
Communication Programs Division